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In re Application of  
Harald Hoffeld, et al.  
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**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 12, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed October 10, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three(3) months. A three(3) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on April 11, 2003.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Cheryl Gibson-Baylor at (703)308-5111, or in her absence, Sherry D. Brinkley at (703)305-9220.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3700, Art Unit 3745 for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114, filed on May 12, 2003.

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